

In the Specification:

On page 18, replace the third full paragraph with the following paragraph:

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On page 19, replace the second full paragraph with the following paragraph:

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On page 19, replace the third full paragraph with the following paragraph:

After the animal was sacrificed, frontal cross sections of the ~~brain region~~
~~containing were made into~~ brain region containing hippocampus were made into 300-500
 μm thick slices, soaked in 4% paraformaldehyde overnight, and embedded in paraffin
with an automatic apparatus for fixation and embedding. The sections (5 μm thick) were
prepared, deparaffinized, and subjected to immunohistochemical staining and other
stainings.